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PART I

INTRODUCTION

PURSUANT TO THE DIRECTOR GENERAL'S REQUEST THE UNITED  
STATES GOVERNMENT CONVENED A MEETING OF SELECTED GOVERN-  
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MENTAL AND NONGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVES TO  
CONSIDER THE SUBJECT QUESTIONNAIRE (CL/2576-ANNEX 1) CON-  
CERNING THE DIFFICULTIES INVOLVED IN THE ORGANIZATION AND  
STAGING OF INTERNATIONAL SPORTS COMPETITIONS.IT ALSO SENT  
THE QUESTIONNAIRE TO VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS FOR THEIR COM-  
MENT. OUR USG STATEMENT REPRESENTS A SYNTHESIS AND SUM-

MARY OF THE DISCUSSIONS AND COMMENTS WHICH ENSUED AND REFLECTS A STRONG CONSENSUS AMONG MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN SPORTS COMMUNITY. IT WAS REVIEWED AND ENDORSED BY THE PRESIDENT AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE U.S. OLYMPIC COMMITTEE.

## 2. GENERAL STATEMENT

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA WISHES TO COOPERATE IN ALL APPROPRIATE WAYS IN THE PROMOTION OF SOUND PRACTICES OF INTERNATIONAL SPORTS COMPETITION, IN KEEPING WITH THE HIGHEST IDEALS OF OLYMPISM. AT THE OUTSET, HOWEVER, WE REITERATE OUR BELIEF THAT UNESCO SHOULD CAREFULLY DEFINE ITS ROLE IN RELATION TO INTERNATIONAL SPORTING EVENTS. THAT ROLE, AS WE EMPHASIZED AT THE MINISTERS' CONFERENCE AN; FIRST SESSION ICPES, SHOULD NOT, IN OUR OPINION, INCLUDE ANY RESPONSIBILITY OR AUTHORITY FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF INTERNATIONAL SPORTS COMPETITION, WHICH WE BELIEVE IS PROVINCE OF ESTABLISHED NGO OF THE SPORTS WORLD.

3. ANOTHER GENERAL STATEMENT RELATING TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF COMPETITIVE SPORTS IN THE UNITED STATES IS IN ORDER TO HELP UNDERSTAND OUR RESPONSES TO SPECIFIC ASPECTS OF THE QUESTIONNAIRE. IN THE UNITED STATES THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAS NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE REGULATION, FINANCING OR ADMINISTRATION OF AMATEUR COMPETITIVE SPORTS

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PROGRAMS. THESE RESPONSIBILITIES LIE IN THE HANDS OF EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND NATIONAL GOVERNING BODIES, INCLUDING THE U.S. OLYMPIC COMMITTEE AND CLUBS. THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT DOES NOT PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THE SPORTS ACTIVITIES OF THESE NON-PROFIT INSTITUTIONS AND GROUPS AND THEIR PROGRAMS ARE ORGANIZED WITHOUT FEDERAL GOVERNMENT PARTICIPATION.

4. THIS PRINCIPLE WHICH PRECLUDES GOVERNMENTAL INTERVENTION IS ONE THAT BOTH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND SPORTS ADMINISTRATORS IN THE U.S. STRONGLY SUPPORT. WE, THEREFORE, URGE THAT EFFORTS INSTITUTED UNDER THE AUSPICES OF UNESCO TO ASSIST IN THE IDENTIFICATION AND AMELIORATION OF PROBLEMS RELATED TO INTERNATIONAL SPORTS COMPETITION FULLY RECOGNIZE THE FUNDAMENTAL IMPORTANCE OF THIS PRINCIPLE TO OUR NATION AND CERTAIN OTHER MEMBER STATES.

## 5. SCOPE OF THE SURVEY

GENERALLY SPEAKING WE FIND THE DEFINITION OF "INTER-

NATIONAL COMPETITIVE SPORT" SATISFACTORY AS AN INDICATION OF THE TYPE AND SCOPE OF INTERNATIONAL SPORTING EVENTS UNDER CONSIDERATION IN THE SURVEY. THOUGH WE RECOGNIZE THAT THE GENERAL THRUST OF THE QUESTIONS ARE GERMANE TO THE KIND OF EVENTS INCLUDED IN THE DEFINITION, WE CANNOT ACCEPT ANY IMPLICATION THAT MIGHT BE DRAWN FROM THE FACT THAT UNESCO ASKS THE QUESTIONS AND THAT IT, THEREBY HAS ANY ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE CONDUCT OF SPORTING EVENTS.

6. REPLIES TO SPECIFIC QUESTIONS AND NUMBERED THE SAME AS THE QUESTIONNAIRE:

1. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF DIFFICULTIES

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1.2 THE PRELIMINARY CLASSIFICATION OF DIFFICULTIES INTO SEVEN CATEGORIES IS ADEQUATE FOR PURPOSES OF THE SURVEY.

2. DIFFICULTIES OF AN ETHICAL NATURE OR LINKED TO THE PRINCIPLES UNDERLYING COMPETITIVE SPORT

2.21 THERE ARE LIKELY TO BE, FROM TIME TO TIME, DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE EXPRESSED IDEAL AND THE ACTUAL CONDITIONS OF COMPETITION. THIS, OF COURSE, DOES NOT MINIMIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF SEEKING THE REALIZATION OF THE HIGHEST ETHICAL PRINCIPLES BUT ON THE CONTRARY UNDERSCORES THE NEED TO WORK EVER MORE DILIGENTLY TOWARD THAT END.

INDIVIDUAL INSTANCES OF MISCONDUCT OR RULES VIOLATIONS MUST BE FIRST OF ALL DEALT WITH BY THE SPORTS FEDERATION INVOLVED. EACH SPORT IS FACED WITH DIFFERENT CIRCUMSTANCES AND MUST BE GOVERNED BY APPROPRIATE REGULATIONS. THERE ARE SOME COMMONALITIES AND CERTAIN INFRACTIONS MUST BE DEALT WITH BY THE APPROPRIATE HIGHER ADMINISTRATIVE BODY, E.G., THE INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE.

THE USG AND U.S. SPORTS ORGANIZATIONS ARE STRONGLY OPPOSED TO DISCRIMINATION OF ANY KIND AGAINST INDIVIDUAL ATHLETES BECAUSE OF SEX, RACE, OR IDEOLOGICAL PERSUASION. WE BELIEVE THAT ALL INDIVIDUALS WHO MEET THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS OF THE COMPETENT SPORTS FEDERATIONS SHOULD BE FREE TO PARTICIPATE IN INTERNATIONAL SPORTING EVENTS.

2.2.2 THE WELFARE OF THE ATHLETE AND HIS OR HER FREEDOM TO PARTICIPATE FULLY AND SAFELY SHOULD BE DEALT WITH BY THE APPROPRIATE SPORT BODIES. WE DO NOT FORESEE THE NEED FOR INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS IN SUCH MATTERS AND

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BELIEVE IT WOULD BE INAPPROPRIATE FOR UNESCO TO TAKE ANY INITIATIVES IN THIS DIRECTION.

2.2.3 AS STATED ABOVE, WE WOULD HOPE THAT ALL GOVERNMENTS WOULD ACCEPT FOREIGN PARTICIPANTS OR ALLOW NATIONAL PARTICIPANTS TO TRAVEL ABROAD FOR BONA-FIDE INTERNATIONAL SPORTS COMPETITION.

3. DIFFICULTIES RELATED TO THE EXPLOITATION OF SPORTING SUCCESSES FOR THE PURPOSES OF PROPAGANDA OR THE EXALTATION OF NATIONALISM

3.2.1 WE WOULD AGREE THAT THERE IS A TENDENCY FOR GOVERNMENTS AND MANY SPORTS ENTHUSIASTS TO TAKE PRIDE IN THE FAVORABLE RANKING OF THEIR COUNTRY'S SPORTSMEN AND TO CONSIDER IT A MATTER OF STATUS AND PRESTIGE. WE NOTE, HOWEVER, THAT THE ANALYSIS SEEMS TO STRAY FROM THIS POINT.

3.2.2 THE INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE AND THE INTERNATIONAL SPORTS FEDERATIONS ARE AWARE OF THE QUESTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN RAISED IN RECENT YEARS, PARTICULARLY BY THE DEVELOPING NATIONS, CONCERNING THE REPRESENTATION ON THEIR GOVERNING BODIES. WHATEVER MODIFICATIONS THEY MAKE ARE THEIR OWN PREROGATIVE AND NOT THAT OF GOVERNMENTS. BY INITIATING THE QUESTIONNAIRE AND CONSULTING WITH THE COMPETENT SPORTS ORGANIZATIONS, UNESCO HAS, IN EFFECT, OFFERED ASSISTANCE. THE NATURE OF SUCH ASSISTANCE, IF ANY, SHOULD EVOLVE AS FURTHER COOPERATIVE EFFORTS ARE UNDERTAKEN.

3.2.3 FIRST, ALTHOUGH UNDUE EMPHASIS IS PLACED UPON THE RESULTS OF MAJOR INTERNATIONAL SPORTS COMPETITION, WE DO NOT BELIEVE NOR DO WE THINK MANY PEOPLE OF THE WORLD BELIEVE THAT THIS IS THE SOLE CRITERION FOR MEASURING THE SPORTS LEVELS OF POPULATIONS. THERE ARE OTHER IMPORTANT

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CRITERIA WHICH ARE INDICATIVE OF THE VALUE OF INTERNATIONAL SPORTS COMPETITION SUCH AS THE QUALITY OF THE COACHES, THE BEHAVIOR OF THE PARTICIPANTS AND PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENTS BETWEEN OLYMPIADS.

WE BELIEVE THERE ARE EVEN MORE SIGNIFICANT MEASURES OF

THE QUALITY OF LIFE BY WHICH NATIONS ARE JUDGED. AMONG THESE ARE THE DEGREE OF FREEDOM AND INDIVIDUAL DIGNITY ENJOYED BY CITIZENS, THE OPPORTUNITIES PROVIDED FOR MASS PARTICIPATION IN SPORT AS A COMPONENT OF LIFE-LONG EDUCATION, THE LEVEL OF HEALTH OF THE PEOPLE AND OTHER VALUES OF THESE KINDS. WE URGE THAT UNESCO GIVE INCREASED ATTENTION TO THE MAJOR CONTRIBUTION IT CAN MAKE IN PROMOTING INCREASED UNDERSTANDING AND ACCEPTANCE OF THESE MEASURES BY PEOPLE OF ALL NATIONS.

#### 4. DIFFICULTIES OF A MEDICAL NATURE

4.2.1 THE ANALYSIS IDENTIFIES SEVERAL VALID PROBLEMS OF A MEDICAL NATURE BUT ALSO OFFERS SOME IMPLIED SOLUTIONS WITH WHICH WE DO NOT NECESSARILY AGREE.

4.2.2 COMPETENT SPORTS AUTHORITIES IN THE UNITED STATES, AS A MATTER OF PRINCIPLE AND PRACTICE, ARE DIAMETRICALLY OPPOSED TO THE USE OF CHEMICAL SUBSTANCES TO ENHANCE PERFORMANCE, TO RETARD FATIGUE OR DIMINISH PAIN, OR FOR ANY OTHER USE WHICH IS PRESUMED TO GIVE ONE ATHLETE AN ADVANTAGE OVER ANOTHER. WHILE IT IS RECOGNIZED THAT SUCH ABUSES DO OCCUR, RESPONSIBLE SPORTS AUTHORITIES ARE CONTINUALLY TAKING MEASURES TO OVERCOME THEM. GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITIES WOULD INTERVENE ONLY IN CASES WHERE LAWS PERTAINING TO THE CONTROL AND USE OF CERTAIN DANGEROUS DRUGS HAVE BEEN VIOLATED.

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WITH RESPECT TO INTERNATIONAL SPORTS COMPETITION, THE I.O.C. AND THE SPORTS FEDERATIONS TRY TO EXERT A STRONG MORAL AND EDUCATIONAL FORCE FOR ETHICAL PRACTICES AND AGAINST ANY CHEMICAL ABUSES THAT DIMINISH SPORTSMANLIKE BEHAVIOR AND MAY CAUSE PHYSICAL OR PSYCHOLOGICAL HARM TO THE USERS.

4.2.3 WE CONSIDER IT NECESSARY AND DESIRABLE THAT PRECAUTIONS BE TAKEN TO PREVENT PHYSICAL OR PSYCHOLOGICAL HARM TO CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS WHO ARE ENGAGED IN SPORTS PROGRAMS AND TO PROTECT THEM AGAINST EXPLOITATION.

MORE RESEARCH ON TRAINING METHODS, PERFORMANCE TECHNIQUES, FREQUENCY AND DURATION OF SPORTS CONTESTS, AND SIMILAR CONSIDERATIONS AS THESE MAY AFFECT THE HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH IS NEEDED. THE INTERNATIONAL SPORTS FEDERATIONS MAY WISH TO CONSIDER ESTABLISHING MINIMUM AGES FOR PARTICIPANTS. WE BELIEVE UNESCO'S MOST APPROPRIATE ROLE WOULD BE TO FOSTER RESEARCH, DISSEMINATE FINDINGS, AND ENCOURAGE THE ADOPTION OF PRACTICES THROUGH

SEMINARS, CONFERENCES AND OTHER EDUCATIONAL MEANS.

4.2.4 THERE IS AN ELEMENT OF RISK IN ALL SPORTS COMPETITION. NATURALLY SUCH RISKS SHOULD BE KEPT TO A REASONABLE DEGREE. NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL SPORTS AUTHORITIES ARE CONTINUALLY WORKING TO REDUCE DANGER IN SPORTING EVENTS BY MODIFYING VARIOUS RULES OF ELIGIBILITY AND PARTICIPATION. SPORTS ORGANIZATIONS ALSO CONDUCT AND ENCOURAGE RESEARCH LEADING TO MORE EFFECTIVE PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT AND SAFER FACILITIES.

WE FIND THE QUESTION UNCLEAR AS IT DOES NOT INDICATE WHO WOULD "ADOPT LEGISLATIVE MEASURES OR REGULATIONS PROHIBITING OR MODIFYING THE RULES OF CERTAIN PARTICULARLY DANGEROUS SPORTS." WE DO NOT SEE THIS, NORMALLY, AS A UNCLASSIFIED

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GOVERNMENTAL OR INTERGOVERNMENTAL FUNCTION AS REGARDS INTERNATIONAL SPORTS COMPETITIONS.

4.2.5 AND 4.2.6 THERE IS NEED TO CONSOLIDATE PRESENT KNOWLEDGE AND TO CONDUCT FURTHER RESEARCH CONCERNING THE DURATION AND INTENSITY OF TRAINING FOR VARIOUS SPORTS. ASSUMING THE ATHLETE HAS THE PROPER INFORMATION IT IS BASICALLY A PERSONAL DECISION AS TO THE TIME AND SACRIFICES THAT HE OR SHE MAY BE WILLING TO DEDICATE TO EXCELLENCE IN PERFORMANCE.

WE WOULD NOT FAVOR A WORLD-LEVEL MEETING OF MEDICAL EXPERTS, UNDER UNESCO'S AUSPICES OR OTHERWISE, TO "SET LIMITS." UNESCO COULD PROPERLY FOSTER SUCH RESEARCH IN SPORTS MEDICINE, DISSEMINATE FINDINGS, PROMOTE EXCHANGE OF DOCUMENTATION AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, AND COOPERATE WITH FIMS AND WHO IN CARRYING OUT THEIR RESPECTIVE INTERESTS.

WE SEE NO JUSTIFICATION FOR GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITIES TO BE INVOLVED IN COMPELLING SPORTSMEN OR ATHLETES TO DO PART-TIME WORK OR HALF-TIME STUDY.

5. DIFFICULTIES OF AN ECONOMIC NATURE

5.2.1 THE ECONOMIC ASPECTS OF SPORTS EVENTS ARE

NOT NECESSARILY UNDESIRABLE. THE "SHOWCASING" OR GLORIFICATION OF HIGH-LEVEL ATHLETIC PERFORMANCE, THE STRIVING FOR EVER GREATER ACHIEVEMENTS, ARE IN KEEPING WITH DE COUBERTIN'S VIEWS OF THE OLYMPIC GAMES. HE SAW THE GAMES AS BOTH THE RESULT OF AND THE INSPIRATION FOR MASSIVE PARTICIPATION IN SPORTS. WE DO BELIEVE,

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HOWEVER, THAT THE ECONOMIC ASPECTS OF SPORTS SPECTACLES MUST BE KEPT WITHIN REASONABLE BOUNDS AND THAT THIS SHOULD BE A CONCERN FOR ALL WHO VALUE SPORT.

5.2.2 NO, IT SHOULD NOT BE CONCLUDED THAT THERE NO LONGER EXISTS ANY RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN TOP-LEVEL "SPECTATOR" SPORTS AND SPORT PRACTICED ON A WIDE SCALE FOR PLEASURE AND WELL-BEING. THE BASE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF WORLD CLASS ATHLETES IS A BROAD PROGRAM OF MASS PARTICIPATION IN SCHOOL AND OUT-OF-SCHOOL SPORTS.

5.2.3 THE PRESSURE EXERTED ON SOME SPORTS EVENTS AND SPORTSMEN BY SOME COMMERCIAL INTERESTS CAN BEST BE RELIEVED BY ACTIONS OF THE SPORTS GOVERNING BODIES. AMONG MEASURES THAT MAY BE TAKEN OR REINFORCED ARE: STRICT DEFINITION, ADHERENCE AND ENFORCEMENT OF AMATEUR STATUS; CONTROL OF THE NUMBER OF WLD-CLASS EVENTS IN EACH SPORT. SUCH MEASURES COULD SERVE TO LESSEN THE COMPETITION AMONG SPORTS PROMOTERS FOR THE PARTICIPATION OF THE LIMITED NUMBER OF WORLD-CLASS ATHLETES.

## 6. DIFFICULTIES RELATING TO EDUCATION

6.2.1 THE GENERAL THRUST OF THE ANALYSIS IS MOST ACCEPTABLE AS IT UNDERSCORES THE PROPER EDUCATIONAL ROLE OF UNESCO WHICH MAY CALL ATTENTION TO THE SIGNIFICANCE OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND SPORT IN THE CONTEXT OF LIFE-LONG EDUCATION, AS EMPHASIZED IN THE CONFERENCE OF MINISTERS. THE SUBSTANCE OF THE STATEMENT IS CONSONANT WITH OUR OWN IDEALS, OBJECTIVES, AND PRACTICES IN THE U. S.

WE AGREE THAT SPORTSMANSHIP CAN BE STRENGTHENED THROUGH THEORETICAL INSTRUCTION PROVIDED ELSEWHERE THAN ON THE SPORTS FIELD. WE URGE THAT UNESCO CONSULT AND WORK WITH THE INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC ACADEMY ON THIS.

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6.2.2 ALL PHYSICAL EDUCATION TEACHERS AND COACHES SHOULD BE PREPARED TO TEACH THE ETHICAL AND MORAL VALUES THAT ARE INTRINSIC ELEMENTS OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND SPORT. THE IDEALS OF ETHICAL BEHAVIOR SHOULD PERVADE THE ENTIRE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION AND ALL TEACHERS

SHOULD ACCEPT AND ADOPT THOSE IDEALS -- FOR SPORTSMANSHIP IS A QUALITY THAT DIGNIFIES HUMAN RELATIONSHIPS IN ALL ASPECTS OF LIVING, NOT JUST IN SPORTS.

6.23 WE DO NOT FAVOR THE ARRANGEMENTS DESCRIBED IN THE UNITED STATES.

7. DIFFICULTIES BOUND UP WITH THE EVALUATION OF MORES AND OF SOCIETY

WE AGREE BASICALLY WITH THE ANALYSIS. EDUCATING STUDENTS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC ON SPORTSMANLIKE BEHAVIOR IS APPLICABLE TO THIS PROBLEM.

7.2.2 THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SUCH A BALANCE SHEET WOULD NECESSITATE A TREMENDOUS RESEARCH EFFORT AND REQUIRE THE COMPLETE COOPERATION OF ALL SPORTS GOVERNING BODIES. FURTHERMORE, WE SERIOUSLY QUESTION THAT SUCH A RECOUNTING WOULD SERVE ANY USEFUL PURPOSE OR WOULD BE WORTH THE EFFORT. THE PROBLEM IS OF GREAT CONCERN TO THE ORGANIZERS OF INTERNATIONAL SPORTS.

7.2.3 EXISTING SPORTS AUTHORITIES HAVE THE PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY TO CONTROL THE BEHAVIOR OF PLAYERS AND SPECTATORS IN THE SPORTS WHICH ARE UNDER THEIR RESPECTIVE JURISDICTIONS.

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7.2.4 WHILE WE ARE CONCERNED THAT STEPS NEED TO BE TAKEN TO PREVENT VIOLENCE, WE BELIEVE THE SPORTS GOVERNING BODIES HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY TO DEAL WITH SPECIFIC INSTANCES. OBVIOUSLY, WHERE CRIMES ARE COMMITTED IN SPORTING SITUATIONS IT ALSO BECOMES A MATTER FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES.

8. DIFFICULTIES STEMMING FROM INADEQUATE OR DISTORTED INFORMATION AND FROM THE ACTION OF THE MASS MEDIA

8.2.1 THE PRINCIPLES OF THE FREEDOM OF THE PRESS AND ALL OTHER PUBLIC MEDIA AND THE FREE FLOW OF INFORMATION AS ENUNCIATED IN UNESCO'S CONSTITUTION ARE VERY DEAR TO THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES. WE THEREFORE, STRENEOUSLY OBJECT TO ANY SUGGESTIONS OF CONTROL OVER THE MEDIA, IMPLICIT OR EXPLICIT, AS IN STATEMENTS THAT INFER IT IS THE TASK OF THE MEDIA "TO GUIDE PUBLIC OPINION."

WE BELIEVE THAT THE ACTIONS OF THE FREE MEDIA DO MORE ON BALANCE TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF SPORT THAN TO



INJURE IT. THERE IS NO CONSENSUS OR CONTROLLED EFFORT ON THE PART OF THE PRESS AND OTHER MEDIA IN THE UNITED STATES TO PLAY DOWN SPORTS NEWS THAT MAY SHOW CERTAIN PRACTICES IN AN ADVERSE LIGHT. NEGATIVE AND UNPLEASANT DRAMATIC HAPPENINGS ARE PRESENTED FREELY BY THE MEDIA ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT THE PUBLIC IS CAPABLE OF CHOOSING AND JUDGING FOR ITSELF. WE CONSIDER THIS TO BE A BASIC TENET OF A FREE SOCIETY AND THE STRENGTH OF OUR DEMOCRACY.

8.2.2 NEWS AND INFORMATION PRESENTED BY THE MEDIA CLEARLY HAVE AN IMPORTANT INFLUENCE ON PUBLIC OPINION. SUCH REPORTING MAY HAVE VERY POSITIVE IMPACT IN REDUCING ACTS OF VIOLENCE, CHAUVINISM AND POOR SPORTSMANSHIP. BY UNCLASSIFIED

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ENSURING THAT THE PUBLIC, EN MASSE AND AS INDIVIDUALS, ARE FULLY INFORMED AND INSPIRED BY KNOWING OF EXAMPLES OF OUTSTANDING SPORTSMANLIKE BEHAVIOR AND BROTHERHOOD AMONG SPORTSMEN OBJECTIVE REPORTING IS ALSO INFLUENTIAL. OUR ANSWER TO THE SECOND QUESTION IS AFFIRMATIVE.

8.2.3 MEMBERS OF THE MEDIA IN THE U. S. NATURALLY TRY TO COOPERATE WITH THOSE WHO ORGANIZE AND CONDUCT SPORTING EVENTS. THEY DO NOT, HOWEVER, FEEL UNDER ANY OBLIGATION TO THEM AND DO, IN FACT, RESIST STRENUOUSLY ANY SUGGESTION OF PRESSURE OR COERCION THAT WOULD INFRINGE UPON THEIR RIGHTS AND, INDEED, DUTY TO REPORT THE NEWS AS THEY VIEW IT.

8.2.4 - 8.2.6 THE ANSWER TO EACH OF THESE QUESTIONS IS, "NO." WE BELIEVE THAT SINCE THE MEDIA IN OUR SOCIETY ARE DEPENDENT UPON THE PUBLIC FOR SUPPORT THAT THE FORM OF ENTERTAINMENT PROVIDED IS BASICALLY WHAT THE PEOPLE THEMSELVES WANT. IT IS THROUGH EDUCATION AND OTHER CULTURAL INTERESTS THAT SOCIETY DEVELOPES ITS TASTES AND TOLERANCES. VANCE

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